Editor's Introduction

The section devoted to the prominent representatives of the Poznań Faculty of Law and Administration of the present volume of the Adam Mickiewicz University Law Review begins with the publication of the English version of Professor Zygmunt Ziembiński's text entitled *The structure of a legal norm system*, originally published as a part of *Problemy podstawowe prawoznawstwa* in 1982.

Professor Ziembiński, 1920–1996, was one of the most influential representatives of Polish legal scholarship, a lawyer and sociologist who went down in history as the founder of the Poznań School of Legal Theory. The original contribution of Professor Ziembiński to the development of legal theory is embodied in his conceptions, among which the most significant are: an elaborated normative conception of the sources of law, the conceptual distinction between a legal provision and a legal norm, and his work on the typology of norms. These innovations are part of his academic achievements, presented in 20 monographs, 20 handbooks and 150 articles, which include both linguistic legal analysis and considerations on the methodology of legal studies.

Professor Ziembiński's article was selected by Professor Marek Smolak, and was translated by Tomasz Żebrowski, Stephen Dersley and Ryszard Reisner, to whom we wish to express our heartfelt thanks.